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Assignee: ABB Patent GmbH

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NON-FEE AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 111 FILED WITH A REQUEST FOR  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action (Paper No. 8) dated July 9, 2003 which finally rejected the above-identified application, please amend that application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

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Transmitted herewith is a Non-Fee Amendment under Rule 111 and Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Additional fees for the claims are not required.

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1. Claims Added And Canceled By This Amendment

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Total Claims	15	1	1
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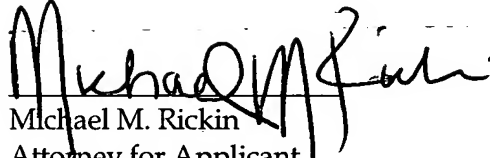
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